SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are actively considering to set up a Public Utility Commission, which will be empowered to clear or veto any Ministry's decision on consumer related affairs; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) and (b) Earlier, a Working Group under the aegis of the Central Consumer Protection Council, submitted a report recommending the setting up of a quasi-judicial mechanism on the pattern of Public Utilities Commissions in USA. A decision on the report has to be taken in consultation with State Governments and the concerned Ministries/Departments.

Inventory management practices of Super Bazar

7309 SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the type of inventory management practices being followed by Super Bazar and its control room:

(b) the average time taken by Super Bazar between procurement of foodgrain, furniture and other items and supply to its stores branches:

(c) whether some of the items are always out of stock and are not supplied in regular time schedule:

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Super Bazar has an inventory exceeding Rs. 2000/- crores; and

(f) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) Super Bazar has reported that they have fixed inventory norms for each department which inter-alia prescribe a monthly turnover ratio and the the value of inventory at a given point of time. Control room only monitors daily sales of mini branches.

(b) Super Bazar procures foodgrains by calling traders on fortnightly basis. Orders are placed as per requirement of the Regional Distribution Centres giving three days supply time.

(c) This does happen rarely when there is disruption in regular supply.

(d) (i) In case supply is not in accordance with the quality specifications.

(ii) Discontinuance of supply from manufacturing unit because of the manufacturer's own problems but in such cases Super Bazar always tries to keep the substitutes of such items.

(e) and (f) So, Sir.

Inadequate supply of wheat to Orissa

7310. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the rate at which what is presently allotted to different Sates

(b) whether the allotment made to Orissa is inadequate to meet the demand of the consumers;

(c) if so, the allocation made during the year, so far;

(d) the additional quantum of wheat proposed to be allocated to Orissa during the remaining months of this year; and

(e) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) The details showing the monthly allocation of wheat to States/UTs in May and June, 94 is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) to (e) Government of Orissa had asked for allocation of 35000 tonnes of wheat per month from January, 94 to April, 94. For May and June, 94, the State Government has asked for 40000 tonnes of wheat per month.

Allocation of wheat to Orissa was at the rate 20000tonnes from January, 93 to October, 93. It was raised to 25000 tonnes per month from November, 93 to Febriary, 94. Additional allocation of 5000 tonnes of wheat was made to the State each in March and April 94. For the months of May to August, 94, Orissa has been allotted 35000 tonnes of wheat per month.

Bulk allocations of PDS foodgrains including wheat are made to the State Governments/UT Administrations including Orissa distribution to consumers taking into account the availability of stocks in Central Pool, *inter-sc* requirements of States/UTs demand received from the States and seasonal factors. Allocation of foodgrains from Central Pool is supplemental in nature and is not intended to meet the total requirement of any State/UT.

Statement

(In '000 tonnes)

	State/UT	Allocation of wheat in	
		May, 94	June, 94
1	Andhra Pradesh	15.00	15.00
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.60	0.60
3	Assam	20.00	20.00
4	Bihar	61.60	61.60
5	Delhi	72.00	72.00
6	Goa	3.10	3.10
7	Gujarat	53.50	53.50
8	Haryana	10.20	10.20
9	Himachal Pradesh	11.00	11.00

	State/UT	Allocation of wheat in	
		May, 94	June, 94
10	Jammu & Kashmir	30.00	30.00
11	Karnataka	30.00	30.00
12	Kerala	35.00	35.00
13	Madhya Pradesh	41.00	41.00
14	Maharashtra	80.00	80.00
15	Manipur	2.70	2.70
16	Meghalaya	2.00	2.00
17	Mizoram	1.10	1.10
18	Nagaland	1.20	4.00
19	Orissa	35.00	35.00
20	Punjab	20.00	20.00
21	Rajasthan	76.50	66.50
22	Sikkim	0.60	0.60
23	Tamil Nadu	25.00	25.00
24	Tripura	1.80	1.80
25	Uttar Pradesh	98.80	98.80
26	West Bengal	90.00	80.00
27	A & N Islands	0.00	0.00
28	Chandigarh	1.80	1.80
29	D & N Haveli	0.20	0.20
30	Daman & Diu	0.15	0.15
31	Lakshadweep	0.00	0.00
32	Pondicherry	0.75	0.75

सुपर बाजार द्वारा शेयर धारकों को रियायतें

7311. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जो० डोलकी :** क्या नागरिक आपूर्ति, उपभोक्ता मामले और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सुपर बाजार द्वारा अपने शेयर धारकों को किन-किन वस्तुओं की खरीद पर रियायत दी जाती है तथा प्रत्येक वस्तु के संबंध में निर्धारित रियायत की प्रतिशतता क्या है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि सुपर बाजार अपने शेयर धारकों को फर्नीचर की खरीद पर छूट नहीं देता है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ङ) क्या फर्नीचर विभाग में तैनात बिक्री सहायक रियायत देने से साफ इकार कर देते हैं ; और